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City of Alexandria, Virginia

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DATE:

OCTOBER 7, 2005

TO:

THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

FROM:

JAMES K. HARTMANN, CITY MANAGER

SUBJECT:

CITY COUNCIL CONSIDERATION TO CHANGE THE ROUTE OF

THE 2005 SCOTTISH CHRISTMAS WALK PARADE

ISSUE: City Council consideration to change the route of the 2005 Scottish Christmas Walk Parade.

RECOMMENDATION: That City Council approve the changes in the 2005 parade route for the Annual Scottish Walk Parade scheduled for December 3, 2005 (Attachment 1). The Campagna Center, the City's Special Events Committee and the Old Town Civic Association King Street Metro Enterprise Team (KSMET), which after their merger with the Old Town Business Association now represents Old Town businesses, all support this recommendation. The Traffic and Parking Board unanimously approved the changes in the parade route at its meeting on September 26, 2005.

<u>DISCUSSION</u>: The Campagna Center and the City staff are requesting two changes in the route for the 2005 Scottish Christmas Walk Parade. The first change is to permit the parade to end in front of the Campagna Center's Headquarters in the 400 block of South Washington Street. The second change is to permit the parade to proceed further east into the central business district.

The Campagna Center is celebrating its 60th anniversary. Many elected officials and other dignitaries will participate in the parade, and the extended route will allow greater visibility of this milestone for the Campagna Center.

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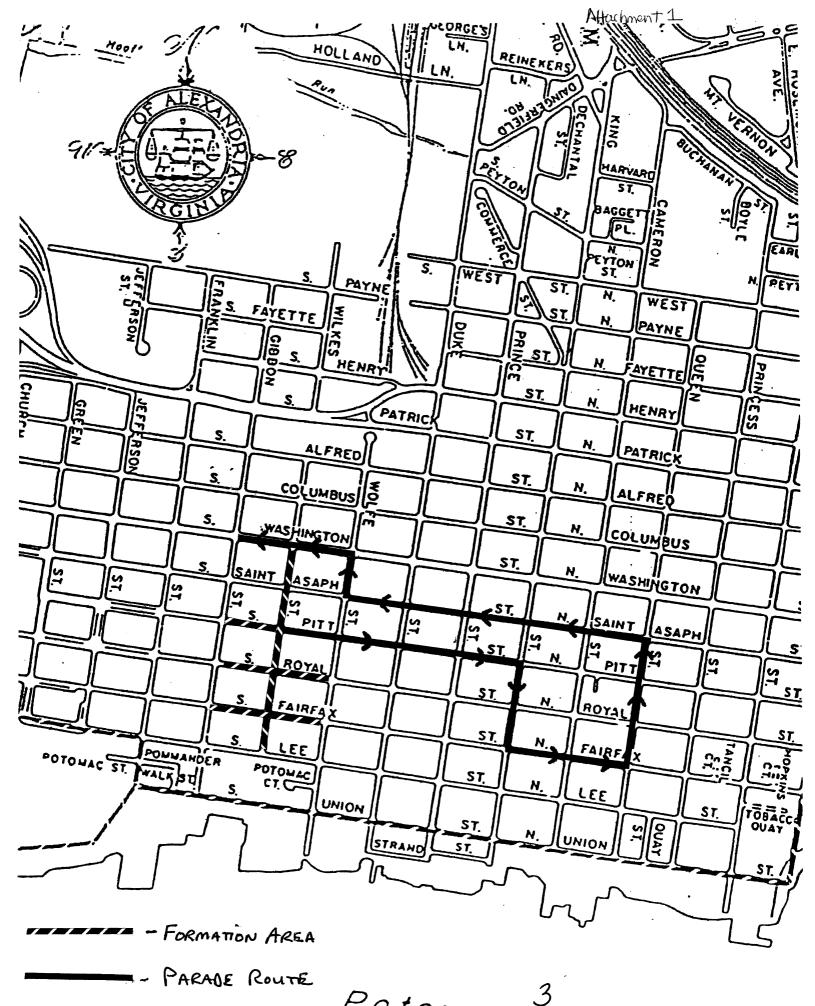
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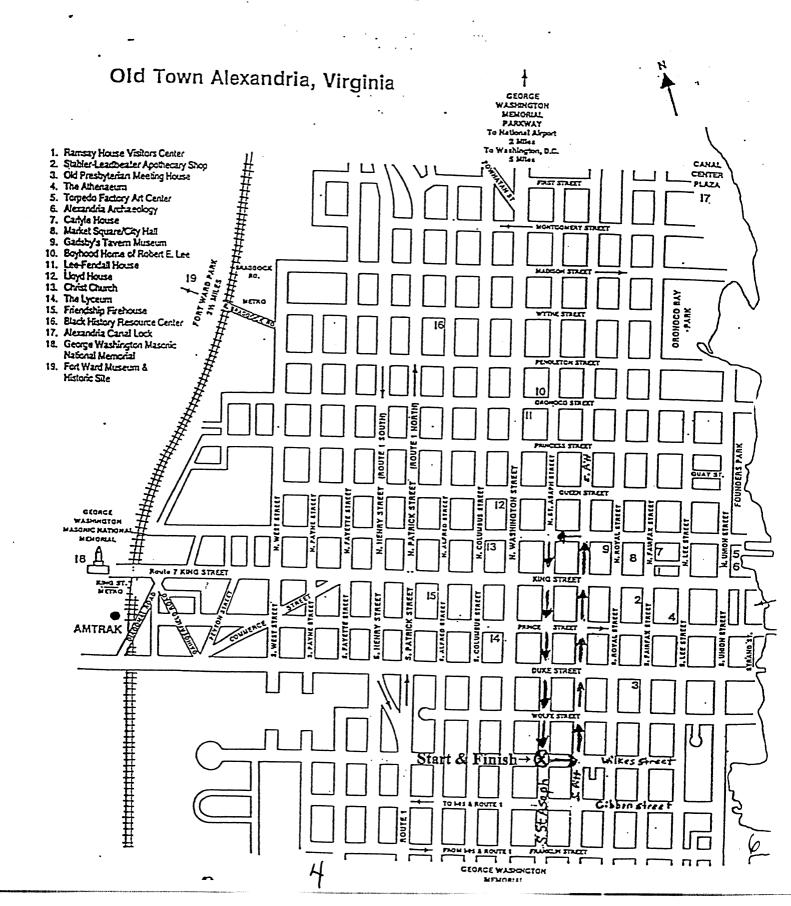
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